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SUBJECT: 34TH HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION--COUNTRY SITUATIONS UNDER 1503 PROCEDURES

1. THE CONFIDENTIAL REPORT OF THE WORKING GROUP (WG) WHICH MET PRIOR TO THE OPENING OF THE PRESENT HRC SESSION TO EXAMINE SITUATIONS REFERRED TO THE HRC BY THE SUBCOMMISSION ON PREVENTION OF DISCRIMINATION AND PROTECTION OF MINORITIES UNDER ECOSOC RES 1503 WAS ISSUED FEBRUARY 17. THE 5-MEMBER WORKING GROUP WAS UNDER THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF CANADIAN HRC REP, AMBASSADOR BEAULNE. IN ADDITION TO THE NEW SITUATIONS REFERRED TO THE HRC BY THE SUBCOMMISSION IN 1977 THE WORKING GROUP ALSO REVIEWED THOSE SITUATIONS WHICH HAD BEEN HELD OVER
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BY THE HRC AT ITS 33RD SESSION IN FEBRUARY-MARCH 1977.

2. SITUATIONS PENDING BEFORE THE SUBCOMMISSION FROM LAST YEAR CONCERNED BOLIVIA, EQUATORIAL GUINEA, MALAWI, REPUBLIC OF KOREA AND UGANDA. NEW SITUATIONS CONCERNED CHILE, ETHIOPIA, INDONESIA, PARAGUAY, UGANDA, AND URUGUAY.

3. FOLLOWING IS A SUMMARY OF THE COMMENTS AND OBSERVATIONS OF THE WG WITH RESPECT TO EACH COUNTRY SITUATION:

(A) BOLIVIA: THE WG EXAMINED ADDITIONAL OBSERVATIONS SUBMITTED BY THE GOVERNMENT OF BOLIVIA AS WELL AS RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE ILO COMMITTEE ON FREEDOM OF ASSOCIATION. WORKING GROUP RECOMMENDS THAT ILO CONTINUE ITS DIALOGUE WITH THE GOVERNMENT OF BOLIVIA AND THAT THE HRC CONTINUE TO KEEP THE SITUATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS IN BOLIVIA UNDER REVIEW IN LIGHT OF ANY FURTHER INFORMATION IT MIGHT RECEIVE FROM THE GOVERNMENT, THE ILO, AND OTHER SOURCES.

(B) EQUATORIAL GUINEA: WORKING GROUP NOTED WITH APPRECIATION STEPS TAKEN BY THE SECRETARY-GENERAL IN RESPONSE TO THE HRC'S DECISION TAKEN AT ITS 33RD SESSION TO ESTABLISH DIRECT CONTACT ON A CONFIDENTIAL BASIS WITH THE GOVERNMENT OF EQUATORIAL GUINEA. NOTING THE REFUSAL OF THE GOVERNMENT OF EQUATORIAL GUINEA TO ENTER INTO CONTACT WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL, A MAJORITY OF THE WG RECOMMENDS THAT THE HRC UNDERTAKE A THOROUGH STUDY OF THE HUMAN RIGHTS SITUATION IN EQUATORIAL GUINEA, TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND CULTURAL CONDITIONS IN THAT COUNTRY.

(C) MALAWI: NOTING THAT NO OBSERVATIONS HAD BEEN LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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RECEIVED FROM THE GOVERNMENT OF MALAWI SINCE THE HRC'S DECISION AT ITS 1977 SESSION, THE WG RECOMMENDS THAT THE HRC REITERATE ITS REQUEST TO THE GOVERNMENT OF MALAWI FOR ITS OBSERVATIONS ON DOCUMENTARY MATERIAL RELATING TO THE HUMAN RIGHTS SITUATION IN MALAWI AND CONTINUE TO KEEP THE SITUATION UNDER REVIEW IN LIGHT OF ANY FURTHER INFORMATION IT MAY RECEIVE FROM THE GOVERNMENT CONCERNED AND FROM OTHER SOURCES.

(D) REPUBLIC OF KOREA: NOTING NO FURTHER OBSERVATIONS HAD BEEN RECEIVED FROM THE GOVERNMENT OF THE ROK, THE WG RECOMMENDS THAT THE HRC CONTINUE TO KEEP THE SITUATION UNDER REVIEW IN THE LIGHT OF ANY INFORMATION THAT IT MIGHT RECEIVE FROM THAT GOVERNMENT AND FROM ANY OTHER SOURCES.

(E) CHILE: SINCE THE HUMAN RIGHTS SITUATION IN CHILE IS UNDER ACTIVE CONSIDERATION BY THE HRC'S AD HOC WORKING GROUP ON CHILE THE WG SAW NO NEED FOR SEPARATE ACTION UNDER ECOSOC RESOLUTION 1503.

(F) ETHIOPIA: WORKING GROUP NOTED THAT NO OBSERVATIONS

HAD BEEN RECEIVED FROM THE GOVERNMENT OF ETHIOPIA, WHICH MIGHT BE DUE TO THE SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES CURRENTLY PREVAILING IN THAT COUNTRY. WG THEREFORE RECOMMENDS THAT HRC CONTINUE TO KEEP SITUATION UNDER REVIEW IN THE LIGHT OF OBSERVATIONS THAT IT MAY RECEIVE FROM THE GOVERNMENT OF ETHIOPIA AND INFORMATION FROM OTHER SOURCES.

(G) INDONESIA: WORKING GROUP EXAMINED OBSERVATIONS SUBMITTED BY THE GOVERNMENT OF INDONESIA. IN LIGHT OF THESE OBSERVATIONS WG RECOMMENDS THAT THE HRC ENCOURAGE CONTINUED CONTACTS BETWEEN THE ILO AND THE GOVERNMENT OF INDONESIA, PARTICULARLY WITH REGARD TO THE CONDITIONS OF WORK IN REHABILITATION CENTERS IN THAT COUNTRY AND INVITE THE GOVERNMENT OF INDONESIA TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL

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INFORMATION REGARDING FURTHER IMPROVEMENTS IN THE HUMAN RIGHTS SITUATION IN THAT COUNTRY.

(H) PARAGUAY: WORKING GROUP NOTED THE RECEIPT FROM THE GOVERNMENT OF PARAGUAY OF A REPLY CONCERNING THE PRIVATE COMMUNICATION IN QUESTION BUT THAT NO FURTHER OBSERVATIONS HAD BEEN RECEIVED. WG RECOMMENDS THAT IN VIEW OF THE URGENCY OF THIS SITUATION HRC SHOULD REQUEST THE UN

SECRETARY-GENERAL TO ESTABLISH CONTACT ON A CONFIDENTIAL BASIS WITH THE GOVERNMENT OF PARAGUAY FOR THE PURPOSE IN PARTICULAR OF EXPLORING POSSIBILITIES FOR IMPROVING THE SITUATION OF THE ACHE, MORROS AND AYOEROS INDIANS IN THAT COUNTRY REGARDING WHICH GRAVE CONCERN HAS BEEN EXPRESSED IN THE COMMUNICATION IN QUESTION.

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(I) UGANDA: WORKING GROUP EXAMINED COMMUNICATIONS CONCERNING UGANDA SUBMITTED SINCE THE 33RD HRC AND NOTED NO OBSERVATIONS HAD BEEN RECEIVED FROM THE GOVERNMENT OF UGANDA. THE MAJORITY OF THE WORKING GROUP RECOMMENDS THAT, IN VIEW OF THE ACCUMULATED INFORMATION INDICATING A CONSISTENT PATTERN OF GROSS VIOLATIONS OF HUMAN RIGHTS IN UGANDA, THE COMMISSION SHOULD UNDERTAKE A THOROUGH STUDY OF THE SITUATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS IN THAT COUNTRY, IN CONFORMITY WITH THE HRC'S PUBLIC PROCEDURES, AND THAT IT SHOULD ENDEAVOR TO SECURE THE COOPERATION OF THE GOVERNMENT OF UGANDA FOR THIS PURPOSE. THE MINORITY MEMBERS OF THE WG RECOMMEND THAT THE HRC SHOULD REQUEST THE GOVERNMENT OF UGANDA TO REPORT ON THE WAY IN WHICH THE UNDERTAKINGS MADE LAST YEAR BY ITS SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE TO THE HRC HAVE BEEN CARRIED OUT BY THAT GOVERNMENT.

(J) URUGUAY (PREVIOUSLY REPORTED IN GENEVA 2231). WORKING GROUP TOOK NOTE OF THE REPLY TO THE COMMUNICATIONS IN QUESTION OF THE GOVERNMENT OF URUGUAY BUT REGRETTED THAT NO FURTHER OBSERVATIONS HAD BEEN RECEIVED FROM THAT GOVERNMENT. WG RECOMMENDS THAT THE HRC (1) REQUEST THE GOVERNMENT OF URUGUAY TO PROVIDE SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION, (2) REQUEST IN PARTICULAR THE FULLEST POSSIBLE EXPLANATION REGARDING THE PROSPECTS FOR AN EARLY RESTORATION OF POLITICAL RIGHTS IN URUGUAY, (3) EXPRESS APPRECIATION THAT CONTACTS HAVE BEEN ESTABLISHED BETWEEN THE ILO AND THE GOVERNMENT OF URUGUAY WITH REGARD TO THE LABOR SITUATION IN THAT COUNTRY AND HOPE THAT THESE CONTACTS WILL BE MAINTAINED, AND (4) CONTINUE TO KEEP THE SITUATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS IN URUGUAY UNDER REVIEW IN LIGHT OF ANY FURTHER INFORMATION IT MIGHT RECEIVE FROM THAT GOVERNMENT AND FROM OTHER SOURCES.

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4. WORKING GROUP'S REPORT IS SCHEDULED TO BE CONSIDERED

BY THE HRC PURSUANT TO THE CONFIDENTIAL PROCEDURES
OF ECOSOC RESOLUTION 1503 ON OR ABOUT FEBRUARY 28.
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